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**Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board**

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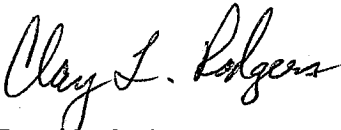
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**FINAL FARM EVALUATION TEMPLATE UNDER GENERAL ORDER R5-2014-0001**

Waste Discharge Requirements for Growers within the Western Tulare Lake Basin Area that are Members of a Third-Party Group, General Order No. R5-2014-0001 (General Order) requires that all third-party members (Members) complete a farm evaluation describing management practices implemented to protect surface water and groundwater quality.

The enclosed Farm Evaluation template is based on the draft Farm Evaluation template circulated for public comment. Three comment letters were received representing Coalitions within the Tulare Lake Basin Area. Suggestions were considered, and modifications were made as deemed necessary to improve the template's clarity, while ensuring information will be collected consistently across the region. The enclosed Farm Evaluation template must be used to comply with the requirements of Section VII.B of the General Order.

If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact Patrick Barnes at (559) 444-2417, or by e-mail at [Patrick.barnes@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Patrick.barnes@waterboards.ca.gov).



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Enclosures: Template for Farm Evaluation